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**NICHOLLS GETS READY FOR 13TH ANNUAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES JUBILEE**

THIBODAUX – The 13thAnnual Jubilee: A Festival of the Arts and Humanities at Nicholls State University, is scheduled for Monday, March 14, through Saturday, April 16.

“This 13th year of our fest will stimulate artistic endeavors, our local and international connections and the educational and creative identity of our wonderful university,” said Angela Hammerli, festival coordinator, distinguished service professor of education, Orleans Pitre Endowed Professor and associate professor of human performance education.

“The theme of our brochure makes the mind appreciate the beauty of our local area and how people come here from all over the world to share our culture. I look forward to multiple visits with all of our participants, the emotional sharing of the audiences and the planning for next year’s Jubilee.”

A complete schedule of festival events follows. Many events are free and open to the public, but some require paid admission or advance reservations. Such instances are noted in the listing:

March - December 2011

“The Celebrated Houma Oyster: The History of the Cenac Family and the Oyster

Industry in Terrebonne Parish”

The exhibit features photographs and memorabilia of the Cenac family and the early oyster industry.

Ellender Memorial Library, Archives 1st floor

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (8 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesdays)

Monday, March 14, 2011

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

S.O.U.L. is a unique quartet of four professional young adult singers, each from a different country: Australia, Columbia, Canada and Zambia. They are touring the United States offering workshops, presentations, performances and lessons featuring native songs from their own countries and cultures. **Sponsored by Barataria-Terrebonne** **National Estuary Program and The Thibodaux Music Club.**

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Le Bijou Theater

8:35 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 11:50 a.m., 12:55 p.m., 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15, 2011

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Le Bijou Theater

9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Bayou Suite

1:30 p.m.

Fletcher Technical Community College Performance

Violinist **Bonnie Le** and pianist **Rachel Billiot-Klauss**, both Nicholls alumnae and veteran professional musicians in the Gulf Coast area, will perform. Also scheduled are biographical readings on women who have made an impact on faculty and student lives, along with a photo slide show of these women.

Fletcher Technical Community College, Duet Building, 158 Lecture Hall

310 St. Charles St., Houma

6 p.m.

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

Terrebonne Parish Library, 2nd floor

151 Library Dr., Houma

7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

St. Joseph Elementary

501 Cardinal Dr., Thibodaux

8:20 a.m., 9:10 a.m.

Thibodaux Music Club, St. John’s Episcopal Church

718 Jackson St., Thibodaux

10:30 a.m.

Lafargue Elementary

700 Plantation Rd., Thibodaux

1:45 p.m.

The Herman Doucet Sr., Memorial Biomedical Lecture: “A Molecular and Medical Basis for the Historical Hatfield-McCoy Feud”

A lecture by **Dr. John Doucet** of the Department of Biological Sciences and University Honors Program. In this entertaining fusion of legend and modern medicine, hear Dr. Doucet report recent discoveries that underlie this immortal family feud. **Sponsored by** **the Department of Biological Sciences and the University Honors Program.**

101 Gouaux Hall

6-7 p.m.

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

Special performance with the Nicholls International Students

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Plantation Suite

6:30-8 p.m.

Thursday, March 17, 2011

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

St. Genevieve School

807 Barbier Ave., Thibodaux

9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

St. Charles Elementary

1690 Hwy 1, Thibodaux

2 p.m.

Lecture: Peter Bergen

CNN national security analyst, best-selling author and veteran print and TV journalist, Bergen will discuss “The Longest War: the Enduring Conflict between America and al-Qaida,” his recently-published book. He will be accompanied by his wife, Tresha Mabile, a Nicholls alumna and TV producer/writer of documentaries, the last five of which focused on Iraq and Afghanistan. A book sale, signing and reception will follow the lecture.

Powell Auditorium

7 p.m.

Nicholls Players: “A Lesson before Dying”

Nicholls Players presents a production directed by **Daniel Ruiz**, written by Romulus Linney and the Southern Writers’ Project, and based on a novel by Ernest J. Gaines. In a small Cajun community in 1940s Louisiana, a young black man is about to go to the electric chair for murder. A white shopkeeper died during a robbery gone bad; though the young man on trial had not been armed and had not pulled the trigger, in that time and place, there could be no doubt of the verdict or the penalty, and no doubt a lesson before dying. A post-performance reception sponsored by Nicholls SPA will follow. Call (985) 448-4586 for more information.

Talbot Hall Theater

7:30 p.m.

Tickets $10, students $5

Friday, March 18, 2011

Singers of United Lands - S.O.U.L.

East Thibodaux Elementary

802 E. 7th, Thibodaux

9 a.m.

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Le Bijou Theater

12:55 p.m.

East Thibodaux Elementary

802 E. 7th, Thibodaux

2:30 p.m.

3rd Annual Louisiana Swamp Stomp Festival

This festival on the Nicholls campus is a three-day celebration of south Louisiana Cajun culture, featuring music, art and Cajun and Creole food. Performers include **Amanda** **Shaw, Curley Taylor and Zydeco Trouble, Bruce Daigrepont Cajun Band,** **Treater, Foret Tradition, Cedric Watson and Bijou Creole, Ryan Brunet and** **the Malfecteurs, Lost Bayou Ramblers, Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys, Tab Benoit and Waylon Thibodeaux, Chubby Carrier and the Bayou Swamp Band, T’Canaille, The Pine Leaf Boys and Geno Delafose and the French Rockn’ Boogie.** Call (985) 448-4633, (985) 448-4518, or go to nicholls.edu/swamp\_stomp foradditional information.

Next to John L. Guidry Stadium

9 a.m.-10 p.m.

Tickets $10 daily, $25 weekend, free for children 11 and under

Nicholls Players: “A Lesson before Dying”

Talbot Hall Theater

7:30 p.m.

Tickets $10, students $5

Saturday, March 19, 2011

3rd Annual Louisiana Swamp Stomp Festival

Next to John L. Guidry Stadium

10:30 a.m-10 p.m.

Tickets $10 daily, $25 weekend, free for children 11 and under

Nicholls Players: “A Lesson before Dying”

Talbot Hall Theater

7:30 p.m.

Tickets $10, students $5

Sunday, March 20, 2011

3rd Annual Louisiana Swamp Stomp Festival

Next to John L. Guidry Stadium

10:30 a.m- 7 p.m.

Tickets $10 daily, $25 weekend, free for children 11 and under

Nicholls Players: “A Lesson before Dying”

Talbot Hall Theater

2 p.m.

Tickets $10, students $5

Monday March 21, 2011

Nicholls Camerata

Pianist and string ensemble with director **James Alexander**, violinist, and **Dr. Luciana**

**Soares**, pianist.

Time and location TBD

Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Bonnie Bourg Lecture Series

Speaker: **Dawn Rose LaFont**, principal, Oaklawn Jr. High. LaFont was named Louisiana’s Special Education Teacher of the Year 1991-1992, Terrebonne Parish Elementary Principal of the Year 2005-2006, Region 3 Elementary Principal of the Year 2008-2009 and Nicholls 2009 James Lynn Powell Award winner.

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Le Bijou Theater

10:30 a.m.

Women’s History Luncheon and Awards Presentation

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Plantation Suite

Noon

Tickets $15 (Advanced purchase required. Call (985) 448-4080 to purchase tickets. The deadline for

reserving a seat is March 15.)

Faculty Recital

**Eric Gueniot,** percussionist

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23, 2011

The Last Natural Delta of the Mississippi River, 1519-1880: Discovery, Demise, and Coastal-Restoration Implications

Hear **Dr. Richard Condrey** of LSU present his fascinating investigation that combines writings of historical French and Spanish explorers with modern-day coastal science. **Sponsored by the Department of Biological Sciences, the Nicholls Biology** **Society and the Pre-Professional Medical Association.**

101 Gouaux Hall

6-7 p.m.

Thursday, March 24, 2011

Relate to Culture: Open-Microphone Series

Join **Daniel Ruiz** of the Department of Mass Communication for poetry, spoken word, music and other performances focused on “what culture means to us.” Dr. John Doucet will serve as a guest speaker.

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Snack Bar

7-8 p.m.

Classical Saxophone

Enjoy a performance by **Dale Underwood**, acclaimed by the Washington Post as “the Heifetz of the alto saxophone,” and his accompanist **Dianne Frazer**, recognized globally as a premiere collaborative pianist. **Sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts.**

St. John’s Episcopal Church

718 Jackson St., Thibodaux

7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 25, 2011

Classical Saxophone Workshop

**Dale Underwood**

Lindsley Music Hall

10:45 a.m.

Rosary Hartel O’Neill

Playwright, director, teacher, mother and the author of fourteen plays, O’Neill takes readers into the past with her writings – the 19th and 20th centuries – times that have been highly romanticized. O’Neill has the ability to make these times understandable and easy to relate to for modern readers. Her portrayals of such famous people as Edgar Degas and Kate Chopin allow readers to witness these artists’ commitment to their talent.

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, LeBijou Theater

10:45 a.m.

Saturday, March 26, 2011

Write

~~Wright~~ Right: 8th Annual Jubilee Writer’s Conference and Book Fair

Nicholls and the Terrebonne Parish Public Library proudly present this annual event. Join fellow writers and readers in a wide-ranging discussion of the literary arts and the business of publishing, led by working authors, editors, agents and publishers. The keynote speaker is **Lisa Jackson**, the best-selling American author of over 75 romance novels and romantic suspense novels. Other speakers include **Cherry Adair,** **L. A. Banks, Marcel Bienvenu, Stella Cameron, Chere Coen, Don Davis, John** **Doucet, Woody Falgout, Rochelle Frazier, Heather Graham, Sheila Hebert-Collins, Ernest Hill, Lisa Jackson, Deborah LeBlanc, David Middleton, Stella** **Nesanovich, Camille Pitre, Alex Sokoloff, Rosary O’Neill, Ken Wells, Paige** **Wheeler, Cherry Wilder** and many others. Deadline for advance registration is March 11. For registration details, go to mytpl.org.

Terrebonne Parish Library

151 Library Dr., Houma

8 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

Tickets $30 in advance, $35 at the door

Sunday, March 27, 2011

Music at St. John’s Concert Series

Violinist **Andrej Kurti** was born in Belgrade, Serbia, and studied at the Moscow “Tchaikovsky” Conservatory. He is professor of violin at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, La. A reception will follow the performance. Call (985) 447-2910 for details.

St. John’s Episcopal Church

718 Jackson St., Thibodaux

3 p.m.

Tickets $10, students $5

Monday, March 28, 2011

Research Week at Nicholls

Sponsored by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, Nicholls’ 6th annual Research Week is slated for March 28 to April 1. Events will highlight the diversity of research at Nicholls with the Brown Bag Faculty Speaker Series, Monday through Friday, in each college, culminating with a reception and awards ceremony for students on Wednesday, March 30. A reception and awards ceremony for faculty will follow on Thursday, March 31.

College of Arts and Sciences

Beauregard Hall, Room 166

Lecture on Activity-based Math – Dr. DesLey Plaisance

11-11:20 a.m.

Whiteness and the Internet – Dr. Shana Walton

11:20-11:40 a.m.

Cotton Fiber Gene Expression – Dr. Duane Smith

11:40 a.m. -Noon

Portraits of Andrew Jackson – Rachel Stephens

12-12:20 p.m.

Renaissance Art of Arezzo, Italy – Dr. Deborah Cibelli

12:20-12:40 p.m.

How Far is That Star – Dr. Chad Young

12:40-1 p.m.

Some Number Relations – Dr. Scott Beslin

1-1:20 p.m.

Student Poster Competition

Bollinger Memorial Student Union

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Lafourche Heritage Society

**Marge Barker** presents an historical presentation of local architectural heritage.

Ellender Memorial Library, Room 322

6:30 p.m.

(Reception in Ellender Memorial Library Archives 1st floor, 7:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Research Week at Nicholls

Student Poster Competition with Judging

Bollinger Memorial Student Union

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Judging 2-4 p.m.)

Ellender Memorial Library and University College

Elkins Hall, Room 209, CAFÉ Room

So Hard to Say Goodbye – Amy Hebert

11:30-11:50 a.m.

Summer Camp for ProStart Students – Chef John Kozar

11:50 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Research Week at Nicholls

Student Poster Viewing

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Cotillion Ballroom

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

John Folse Culinary Institute

Please call (985) 449-7114 for reservations. Seating is limited.

Carmel Inn

400 East First St., Thibodaux

Dessert Crepes – Chef John Kozar

9-9:40 a.m.

Eat Right with Color – Brigett Scott

9:50-10:30 a.m.

The Art of Braising – Chef Randy Cheramie

10:40-11:20 a.m.

Historical Tableside Cooking – Chef Donald Kasten

11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

College of Business Administration

Powell Hall, Room 209

Work-School Enrichment – Dr. Sonya Premeaux

11:30-11:50 a.m.

Alternative Licensure Requirements – Drs. Shawn Mauldin,

Mike Chaisson, Chuck Viosca, Robert Braun (Southeastern Louisiana University)

11:50 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

Home Equity Borrowing – Drs. Norbert Michel, John Lajaunie, Shari Lawrence

12:10-12:30 p.m.

A Communication-Centered View of Leadership – Drs. Marilyn Macik-Frey, James Campbell

Quick (University of Texas at Arlington), Debra Nelson (Oklahoma State University)

12:30-12:50 p.m.

Student Cheating – Drs. Betty Kleen and Shari Lawrence

12:50-1:10 p.m.

Retirement Plan Benefits – Drs. Shawn Mauldin, Shari Lawrence,

John Lajaunie, Norbert Michel

1:10-1:30 p.m.

Student Reception

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Bowie Room

4:30-5:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 31, 2011

Research Week at Nicholls

College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

Ayo Hall, Room 152

Living Well Grant Report – Simone Camel, Dr. Michele Caruso, Dr. Diane Garvey,

Dennis Guillot, Michael Matherne, and Gerard White

9-9:15 a.m.

Academic Performance: Minority Nursing Students – Pamela Williams-Jones

and Dr. Charlene Smith

9:15-9:30 a.m.

The Quasi-Experimental Research Design – Amanda Eymard

9:30-9:45 a.m.

College of Education

Polk Hall, Room 125

Sensory Reinforcement for Children with ASD – Dr. Grant Gautreaux

12-12:20 p.m.

The Emancipatory Pedagogy of Edith Stein – Dr. Stephen Triche

12:20-12:40 p.m.

U.S.A. and Nepal Science Teaching Strategies – Dr. Sumita Bhattacharyya

12:40-1 p.m.

Academic Achievement and Exercise – Dr. Tim Mead, (St. Thomas University,

Minneapolis, Minn.)

1-1:20 p.m.

Faculty Reception

**Rear Admiral Mary Landry** (U.S. Coast Guard) will deliver the keynote address, “BP Oil Spill and Coastal Issues.” **Dr. Earl Melancon**, professor of biology will deliver the featured presentation, “Oil, River Diversions, Estuaries, and Fisheries: How Louisiana’s Response to the Deepwater Horizon Tragedy is Relevant to Coastal Restoration Strategies.”

Bollinger Memorial Student Union, Captain’s Room

6-8 p.m.

Bayou Community Band Presentation and Performance with Visual Interceptions

Directed by **Glynn Dagenhardt**, the Bayou Community Band will perform “Our Galaxy and Beyond,” featuring a transcription of the orchestral suite “The Planets,” by Gustav Holst, accompanied by visual NASA footage.

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 1, 2011

Research Week at Nicholls

John Folse Culinary Institute

Please call (985) 449-7114 for reservations. Seating is limited.

Carmel Inn

400 East First St., Thibodaux

Fun with Veal – Chef George Kaslow

9-9:40 a.m.

Sous Vide/Under Pressure – Chef Monica Larousse

9:50-10:30 a.m.

Stories from a Different Time – Chef Marcelle Bienvenu

10:40-11:20 a.m.

A Taste of Italy – Chef Amelie Benoit

11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

Wednesday April 6, 2011

Chamber Music

The Amadeus Trio is a “a world-class ensemble” according to the Los Angeles Times. Pianist **Marian Hahn**, violinist **Timothy Baker**, and cellist **Jeffrey Solow** are repeatedly recognized by all who hear them for their joy of performance and their virtuoso musicianship. **Sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts.**

Talbot Hall Theater

7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 7, 2011

Chamber Music Workshop by the Amadeus Trio

Talbot Hall Theater

10:30 a.m.

Nicholls Music Honors Recital

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 8, 2011

Thibodaux Playhouse: “Never Get Smart with an Angel”

We enter the Italian ethnic world of Salvatore, a shoe repair shopkeeper; his son Paolo, who’s going to be a doctor; Sal’s best friend Carmine (they also hate one another); and Lucia, Sal’s wife, dead for seven years, who comes to him in times of stress. Lucia’s far from an angelic angel who’s knitting wings for Sal’s arrival upstairs. And, with Carmine being ill, she’s knitting an extra pair. Call (985) 446-1896 for tickets.

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

314 St. Mary St., Thibodaux

7:30 p.m.

Tickets $15, students $10

Saturday, April 9, 2011

Thibodaux Playhouse “Never Get Smart with an Angel”

7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 10, 2011

Chauvin Folk Art Festival and Blessing of the Fleet

This free festival is held in conjunction with the historical Blessing of the Fleet, the semiannual boat parade along Bayou Little Caillou. This year’s musical entertainment features **Treater**, **Roland Cheramie** and friends as well as **Mehlika’s Mirage**. Make a day for the family with folk artists, live music, children’s activities and food, highlighted by the traditional blessing of the fleet at noon on Bayou Petit Caillou. Call (985) 594-2546 for additional information. **Co-Sponsored by Barataria- Terrebonne National Estuary Program.**

Nicholls Sculpture Garden and Folk Art Studio

5337 Bayou Side Dr., Chauvin

10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Monday, April 11, 2011

Electric Harpist

Music. Theater. Humor. Passion. All in one performance! Grammy-nominated virtuoso electric harpist **Deborah Henson-Conant’s** Blues-Flamenco-Celtic-Funk-Folk-Jazz solo performance is intimate, electrifying, and humorous. Her harp was made exclusively for her original one-woman shows and concerts. The audience will never look at a harp the same way again once they hear her energize music into theatrical storytelling. **Sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts and Barataria-Terrebonne** **National Estuary Program.**

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

Workshop with Deborah Henson-Conant

Talbot Theater

10:30 a.m.

Blue Bayou Big Band

**Eric Gueniot**, director

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Poetry Reading: Marthe Reed and Jack Heflin

**Marthe Reed** has published two books, Gaze (Black Radish Books, 2010) and Tender Box, A Wunderkammer with drawings by Rikki Ducornet (Lavender Ink, 2007), as well as two chapbooks. She teaches in the English Department at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where she serves as the Director of Creative Writing. **Jack Heflin’s** two collections of poetry are Local Hope (UL Press, 2010) and The Map of Leaving, winner of

the Montana First Book Award. He is an Endowed Professor of English at the University of Louisiana at Monroe where he co-directs the Creative Writing Program.

Ellendar Memorial Library, Room 322

6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 14, 2011

Arts Alive, Downtown Thibodaux

Thibodaux’s finest artists gather downtown for a community art show and reception. Accordionist **Will Robichaux** is scheduled to entertain. **Sponsored by the Lorio** **Foundation, Thibodaux Chamber of Commerce Business Card Exchange and** **the City of Thibodaux.**

Downtown Thibodaux

507 W. Third St, Thibodaux

5-7 p.m.

Nicholls Chamber Singers

**Dr. Kenneth Klaus**, director

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Thibodaux Playhouse: “Never Get Smart with an Angel”

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

314 St. Mary St., Thibodaux

7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 15, 2011

Art Day at Nicholls

Join the Nicholls Department of Art for an all-day immersion into the world of art, featuring lectures and workshops.

Location and time TBA

Thibodaux Playhouse: “Never Get Smart with an Angel”

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 16, 2011

University Honors Program Thesis Research Symposium

The university’s most brilliant students present and defend results of their original research.

Gouaux Hall, Rooms 101 and 301

8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thibodaux Playhouse: “Never Get Smart with an Angel”

7:30 p.m.

Gold-Medalist Pianist

Enjoy a performance by **Alexander Moutouzkine**, 2004 gold medalist pianist in the New Orleans International Piano Competition. Hosted by the Department of Music.

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

*POST JUBILEE EVENTS*

Sunday, April 17, 2011

Thibodaux Playhouse: “Never get Smart with an Angel”

2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

Nicholls Concert Choir

**Dr. Kenneth Klaus**, director

Location TBD

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 20, 2011

Nicholls Percussion Ensemble

**Eric Gueniot**, director

Talbot Theater

7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3, 2011

Nicholls Symphonic Band and Symphonic Winds

**Greg Torres**, director

Talbot Theater

Jubilee sponsors include the National Endowment for the Arts; Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program; Peltier Foundation; Louisiana Division of Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council and the Houma Regional Arts Council; Friends of Terrebonne Parish Public Library; Capital One Bank; First American Bank; Nicholls Student Programming Association; Thibodaux Music Club; and Nicholls Artists and Lectures Committee.

For additional information, call (985) 448-4273 or go to [www.nicholls.edu/jubilee](http://www.nicholls.edu/jubilee).

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